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ED SAVAGE.

FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY TO SECRETARY KISSINGER'S PARTY: PETER
RODMAN AND L. PAUL BRMER.

PRESIDENT'S FAR EAST TRIP-VII (TAKE ONE OF TWO)

FOLLOWING IS A REPORT OF FOREIGN MEDIA REACTION AS OF 12 NOON
EST NOVEMBER 24, 1974, PREPARED BY USIA:

SUMMARY: LIMITED FOREIGN MEDIA REPORTS RECEIVED THIS MORNING
WERE GENERALLY OPTIMISTIC ON THE PRESIDENT'S FAR EAST TRIP, CALLING
IT A PERSONAL AND DIPLOMATIC SUCCESS LEADING TO IMPROVED RELATION-
SHIPS BETWEEN THE U.S. AND THE COUNTRIES VISITED. NO TREATMENT ON
THE VLADIVOSTOK COMMUNIQUE WAS REPORTED EXCEPT BY TASS WHICH
TRANSMITTED A SUMMARY OF THE COMMUNIQUE SHORTLY AFTER IT WAS
SIGNED. END SUMMARY.

LONDON: THE OBSERVER'S CORRESPONDENT MARK FRANKLAND REPORTED
SUNDAY FROM SEOUL: "THE VISIT TO JAPAN AND SOUTH KOREA WAS A
CONSIDERABLE PERSONAL SUCCESS FOR MR. FORD...IN HIS SPEECH AT

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KSATURDAY) NIGHT'S STATE BANQUET, HE REFERRED TO HIS 25 YEARS IN

CONGRESS AND WENT ON TO SAY THAT HE PLACED 'GREAT VALUE IN THE LEGISLATIVE PROCESSES OF LEGISLATIVE GOVERNMENT.' WAS THIS JUST MEANT TO SOOTHE AMERICAN EARS AT HOME, OR DOES IT MEAN THAT MR. FORD BELIEVES AMERICA AND ITS ALLIES SHOULD BE BOUND TOGETHER BY SOME THING MORE THAN CONSIDERATIONS OF POWER AND NATIONAL INTEREST? IF THE LATTER, IT IS A SIGNIFICANT SHIFT IN AMERICAN DIPLOMACY. IT MUST ALSO AFFECT MR. FORD'S DEALINGS WITH THE RUSSIANS, WHO IN THE NIXON YEARS GOT USED TO DEALING WITH AN AMERICAN PRESIDENT WHO SELDOM CONFUSED POWER POLICIS WITH DEMOCRATIC POLITICS."

SUNDAY TELEGRAPH EDITORIALIZED: "MR. BREZHNEV, NOW PLAYING HOST TO MR. FORD, IS NATURALLY ANXIOUS TO WEIGH UP THE NEW PRESIDENT'S INFLUENCE ON AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY. MR. FORD, FOR HIS PART, MAY GAIN MUCH FROM THIS EARLY INTRODUCTION TO THE PERSONAL SIDE OF HIGH DIPLOMACY. WE HAVE ENTERED AN ERA IN WHICH SUMMIT MEETINGS CAN TAKE PLACE ALMOST CASUALLY, WITHOUT RAISING TOO MANY EXAGGERATED EXPECTATIONS. THIS IS ALL TO THE GOOD."

THE SUNDAY TELEGRAPH'S CORRESPONDENT STEPHEN BARBAER IN TOKYO SAID THAT MR. FORD "CHALKED UP A DEFINITE DIPLOMATIC SUCCESS BY BEING THE FIRST AMERICAN PRESIDENT TO VISIT JAPAN...MR. FORD IS EMERGING AS A REINCARNATE EISENHOWER. HE HAS THAT HOMESPUN CHARM AND POSSIBLE DECEPTIVE QUALITY OF DIRECT SIMPLICITY."

SUNDAY TIMES ASAID YHE "SOVIET UNION IS EXPECTED TO RECOGNIZE SOUTH KOREA AND THE U.S. IS EXPECTED TO RECOGNIZE NORTH KOREA FOLLOWING THE VLADIVOSTOK MEETING...THE AGREEMENT WILL TACITLY ACCEPT THE CONTINUING SEPARATION OF THE TWO KOREAS FOR THE FORSEEABLE FUTURE."

THE OBSERVER GAVE FRONT PAGE SPACE TO AN AP STORY FORECASTING A "NEW TEN-YEAR TREATY LIMITING OFFENSIVE NUCLEAR WEAPONS."

TEL AVIV: ON THE VLADIVOSTOK SUMMIT, YEDIOT SAID SUNDAY THAT, "ASIDE FROM PROGRESS IN SALT TALKS...THERE IS ROOM TO BELIEVE THAT SOME PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE ON THE MIDDLE EAST...IF THE U.S. WILL DECLARE...THAT NO DETENTE IS POSSIBLE IF MOSCOW CONTINUES TO INFLAME THE MIDDLE EAST...THEN THE DANGER OF ANOTHER WAR IN THE MIDDLE EAST MIGHT BE AVERTED." A DAVAR EDITORIAL HOPED "THAT PRESIDENT FORD DOES NOT GET ILLUSIONS OVER THE PRESENT EXCHANGE OF TALKS AT THE VLADIVOSTOK SUMMIT...THE SWIFT SUMMIT COULD NOT HAVE PROVIDED PRESIDENT FORD WITH SUFFICIENT TIME TO TRY AND CONVINCE THE SOVIET LEADER TO STOP ENCOURAGING SYRIAN EXTREMISM...OR TO STOP SUPPORTING THE PLO...HOWEVER, LET US HOPE THAT PRESIDENT FORD HAS NOT MISSED AN OPPORTUNITY TO CLARIFY TO BREZHNEV THAT U.S. UNCLASSIFIED

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SUPPORT FOR ISRAEL IS UNEQUIVOCAL."

NEW DELHI: THE INDEPENDENT SUNDAY STANDARD, IN A DISPATCH FROM HONG KONG, SAID THAT DESPITE MR. KISSINGER'S SIX VISITS TO PEKING DURING THE PAST THREE YEARS, "SINO-U.S. RELATIONS ARE YET TO TAKE A DEFINITE SHAPE." IT ADDED THAT CHINA WANTS TO PLACE RELATIONS "ON A FIRM FOOTING SO THAT BOTH SIDES COULD COMMUNICATE WITH EACH OTHER FEARLESSLY. TILL NOW THERE HAS BEEN AN UNDERCURRENT OF DISTRUST. NO DOUBT WASHINGTON IS EQUALLY KEEN TO TIE UP LOOSE

ENDS AND HAVE A FIRM RELATIONSHIP, BUT CHINA APPEARS TO BE KEENER...
KISSINGER WILL HAVE A LOT OF EXPLAINING TO CHINESE LEADERS--
ESPECIALLY ABOUT U.S. RELATIONSHIP WITH RUSSIA--BEFORE HE CAN TALK
ABOUT STRENGTHENING TIES" WITH CHINA.

ISLAMABAD: THE BEGINNING OF THE VLADIVOSTOK SUMMIT RECEIVED
WIDE ATTENTION BUT REPORTS GENERALLY BRIEF. THE PAKISTAN TIMES
RAN A MARK FRANKLAND LONDON OBSERVER ARTICLE, SAYING THAT DETENTE
IS MOVING AHEAD AS PLANNED. (END TAKE ONE)

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